

CITY OF COSTA MESA

Department of Public Services/Administration

INTER OFFICE MEMORANDUM

TO: Fairview Park Citizens Advisory Committee Members

FROM: Bart Mejia, Senior Engineer/Parks Project Manager

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SUBJECT: PROCESS FOR APPROVING A PRIORITY LIST OF PROPOSED CHANGES FOR FURTHER REVIEW

The Fairview Park Citizens Advisory Committee (FPCAC) was established to evaluate the Fairview Park Master Plan relative to community needs and make Master Plan update recommendations to the Parks and Recreation Commission and City Council for the addition, reduction, elimination, or modification of park uses and master planned elements. To assist the committee meet their mission, staff prepared a detailed Work Plan which segmented the Master Plan into quadrants, proposed objectives, and included a meeting schedule to help meet the committees' goals.

The first objective was for the FPCAC to review the Fairview Park Master Plan and develop a list of proposed changes. At the July 17, 2013 Fairview Park Citizens Advisory Committee meeting, a roundtable discussion resulted in the formulation of a list of suggested uses, activities and design elements for the Fairview Park Master Plan, which incorporated member suggestions for a total of thirty-five items (Attachment 1).

The second objective is to evaluate the list of proposed changes to the Master Plan and develop a priority list. As outlined in the approved Work Plan, staff and guest speakers have presented a review of the park's four quadrants, covering topics such as site history, geology and soils, hydrology and drainage, archeological, and biological resources, as well as constraints and opportunities. The FPCAC will begin to develop a Priority List of proposed changes per quadrant using a three (3) step process outlined in the section below for the Southwest Quadrant (Attachment 2):

Step 1- Selection of Quadrant Specific Items: The Committee will be acting by vote to remove items (Attachment 3) from the List of Proposed Changes to the Master Plan that are specific or applicable to other quadrants. Those items will be removed from further consideration for this quadrant.

Step 2- Develop a Priority List: The items left for consideration (Attachment 4) will be discussed individually and Committee members will be acting by vote to approve each item for further consideration. Staff will utilize the tally of the votes to establish a priority list for the quadrant.

Step 3- Review of Priority Listed Items: Staff will review each item left on the Priority List, provide a concept-level analysis, and suggest possible applications in the form of bubble diagrams or preliminary concepts to present at the next meeting. The Committee will be asked to review these items, any preliminary concepts and information for this quadrant, and provide direction to staff.

This procedure will be repeated for the other two quadrants. At the conclusion of this phase, staff will compile all the recommendations and prepare a report that will be presented to the Parks and Recreation Commission as per the approved Work Plan.

- Attachments:
1. List of Proposed Changes to the Master Plan 07-17-13
 2. Aerial view of the Southwest Quadrant
 3. Items applicable to other quadrants
 4. Quadrant and Non-Quadrant Specific Items



FAIRVIEW PARK CITIZENS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

LIST OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE MASTER PLAN - July 17, 2013

- Additional Picnic Structures
SW and NW Quadrants
- Dry Land Wildlife Viewing Area
NE and SE Quadrants
- Baseball/Softball Facilities
SE or SW Quadrant
- Recreate Heritage/Native American Village
SE Quadrant
- Expand Train Routes
NW or SW Quadrant
- Improve Information Kiosk
SW Quadrant
- Vernal Pools Preservation with Cables,
Signage, and Delineation
- Improve Handicap Access
NW Quadrant
- Soccer/Football Fields
- Forest of Redwood Trees
NE Quadrant
- Multi-use Athletic Fields
SE/NE Quadrants
- Keep Master Plan As-is
- Install a Two-tier Building that includes an
Interpretive Center and Terrace/Viewing
Deck
- Reconfigure Train Tracks to Outside
SE Quadrant
- Community Garden
NW Quadrant (in unused portion)
- Westside Grass Area/Sprinkler System
Improvements
- Basketball/Handball Courts
- OCME Track Expansions/Improvements
SE Quadrant
- Eroding Bluffs: Install Staircase
SW Quadrant
- Install Information Kiosks with Pamphlets
NW and SW Quadrants
- Trail Exercise Stations
- Improve Placentia Avenue with Cable
and Post Delineation
- Roller Hockey Surface
- Expand OCME Tracks Across Bridge
- Improve/Designate Bike Paths
- Plant Native/Drought Resistant Plants
Center of SW Quadrant
- Lawn Bowling/Bocce Ball
NE Quadrant
- Concrete Path from NW Traffic Signal
to SE Traffic Signal at Estancia High School
- Dog Park
- Expanded Concert Area
- Skate Park
- Build Train Track around SW Quadrant
- Nature Center – Bird Watching Platforms
- Archery Area
- Marked Running Courses

LIST OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE MASTER PLAN

ATTACHMENT 3

1. Additional picnic structures SW and NW Quadrants	13. Install a two-tier building that includes an interpretive center and terrace/viewing deck	25. Improve/designate bike paths
2. Dry land wildlife viewing area NE and SE Quadrants	14. Reconfigure train tracks to outside SE Quadrant	26. Plant native/drought resistant plants Center of SW Quadrant
3. Baseball/Softball Facilities SE or SW Quadrant	15. Community garden NW Quadrant (in unused portion)	27. Lawn bowling/Bocce ball NE Quadrant
4. Recreate Heritage/Native American Village SE Quadrant	16. Westside grass area/sprinkler system improvements	28. Concrete path from NW traffic signal to SE traffic signal at Estancia HS
5. Expand train routes NW or SW Quadrant	17. Basketball/Handball courts	29. Dog park
6. Improve information kiosk SW Quadrant	18. OCME track expansions/improvements SE Quadrant	30. Expanded concert area
7. Vernal Pools preservation with cables, signage, and delineation	19. Eroding bluffs: install staircase SW Quadrant	31. Skate park
8. Improve handicap access NW Quadrant	20. Install information kiosks with pamphlets NW and SW Quadrants	32. Build train track around SW quadrant SW Quadrant
9. Soccer/Football fields	21. Trail exercise stations	33. Nature Center – Bird watching platforms
10. Forest of Redwood trees NE Quadrant	22. Improve Placentia Ave. with cable and post delineation	34. Archery area
11. Multi-use athletic fields SE/NE Quadrants	23. Roller hockey surface	35. Marked running courses
12. Retain the elements of the Master Plan as it reads now	24. Expand OCME tracks across bridge	

 **Items to be removed from further consideration for the Southwest Quadrant are Circled in RED**

LIST OF PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE MASTER PLAN

ATTACHMENT 4

1. Additional picnic structures SW and NW Quadrants	13. Install a two-tier building that includes an interpretive center and terrace/viewing deck	25. Improve/designate bike paths
		26. Plant native/drought resistant plants Center of SW Quadrant
3. Baseball/Softball Facilities SE or SW Quadrant		
	16. Westside grass area/sprinkler system improvements	
5. Expand train routes NW or SW Quadrant	17. Basketball/Handball courts	29. Dog park
6. Improve information kiosk SW Quadrant		30. Expanded concert area
7. Vernal Pools preservation with cables, signage, and delineation	19. Eroding bluffs: install staircase SW Quadrant	31. Skate park
	20. Install information kiosks with pamphlets NW and SW Quadrants	32. Build train track around SW quadrant SW Quadrant
9. Soccer/Football fields	21. Trail exercise stations	33. Nature Center – Bird watching platforms
		34. Archery area
	23. Roller hockey surface	35. Marked running courses
12. Retain the elements of the Master Plan as it reads now	24. Expand OCME tracks across bridge	

Quadrant and Non-Quadrant Specific Items (to be discussed individually)